

Joint Public Notice

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District Virginia Department of Environmental Quality

April 21, 2006

Public Meeting on Draft Stream Assessment Methodologies

On March 3, 2006, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and the Norfolk District, Corps of Engineers issued a joint public notice on our respective draft stream assessment methodologies. The public notice outlined that both DEQ's SICAM and the Corps' SAAM were to be used to assess stream impacts on all SPGP category C projects and individual permit applications. Both agencies would collect and share the data generated by the two methodologies.

Prior to the DEQ and the Corps meeting to discuss these results, we want to provide the public with an opportunity to share their views on the results of the two methodologies as well as their comments. Presenters should be prepared to outline the results of their assessment of impact streams through the conceptual mitigation needed to compensate for those impacts.

To facilitate this, we have scheduled a public meeting for May 24, 2006 beginning at 10:30 at the Williamsburg Regional Library on Croaker Road south of Exit 231 off Interstate 64. If you would like to attend the meeting to present data from the two methodologies or make comments, please call Bruce Williams at 757.201.7418 or email him at bruce.f.williams@usace.army.mil. We will develop a specific agenda in advance of the meeting and distribute it to all planned attendees and post it on our respective web sites.

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